

JEAN BONNET TAVERN
6048 Lincoln Highway
Bedford vicinity
Bedford County
Pennsylvania

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- Location: 6048 Lincoln Highway, Bedford vicinity, Bedford County, Pennsylvania.
- Significance: Jean Bonnet Tavern was built as Fork's Inn during the mid-eighteenth century, and continues to function as an inn and restaurant at the crossroads of Routes 31 and 30 (the Lincoln Highway).
- Description: Jean Bonnet Tavern is a fieldstone structure two-and-a-half stories high on a raised basement. The 51 by 40 foot structure is divided into 2 by 6 bays with a side gable roof. An internal brick chimney sits perpendicular to the ridge line at each gable. Two-story wood porches are integrated into the roofline on both sides of the structure. Multiple exterior door openings allow access to the porches on both levels. There are exposed chestnut beams in the basement tavern and first floor rooms.
- History: Jean Bonnet Tavern was built or commissioned as Fork's Inn by Robert Callender, c. 1762. The building was purchased by Jean Bonnet in 1792. It sits prominently at the crossroads of Routes 30 and 31, two major east/west thoroughfares.
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